

Being in a group gives people a sense of safety because they can do what the others do and simply blend in. There won't be a case of anyone being singled out, being embarrassed or at a loss. There won't be a unique, positive or negative, impression of you on anyone. However, does this mean that everyone always do things the same way like we are all clones? I don't think so.

In my opinion, everyone is somewhat different from the way we perceive them, regardless of your relationship with the individual in question. This is quite true for me. I am, or at least most of the time, reluctant to express an opinion contrary to what the majority agrees on, for fear of a good number of things like being picked on by a teacher, isolated in group project or simply be seen a mad person for however weird but somehow justified a choice I make. And those are just to name a few of my usual concerns before putting my hand up in class.

How likely are you to sing for a crowd than in your bathroom while you are showering? Are you more prone to observe good table manners while dining with relatives as compared to eating a tv dinner alone? These are just examples of how different people can behave be it for show, or just a part of their social skills, or for a wide variety of reasons they may have. I mean, when no one's watching and there are no cars in sight, fuelled by enough desperation, you might just well cross the road even in your school uniform, all in the name of catching a bus. And there's absolutely no way I will do that in a random passer-by's presence.

I take shelter under the great wings of majority. I relish in the little freedom affordable only when alone. I believe that no one will be the same as we know in the absence of people.